



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

St. Stephen Elementary  
BERKELEY COUNTY  
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 438  
Principal: Dr. Elaine Norton  
Superintendent: Dr. Rodney Thompson  
Board Chair: Dr. Kent Murray

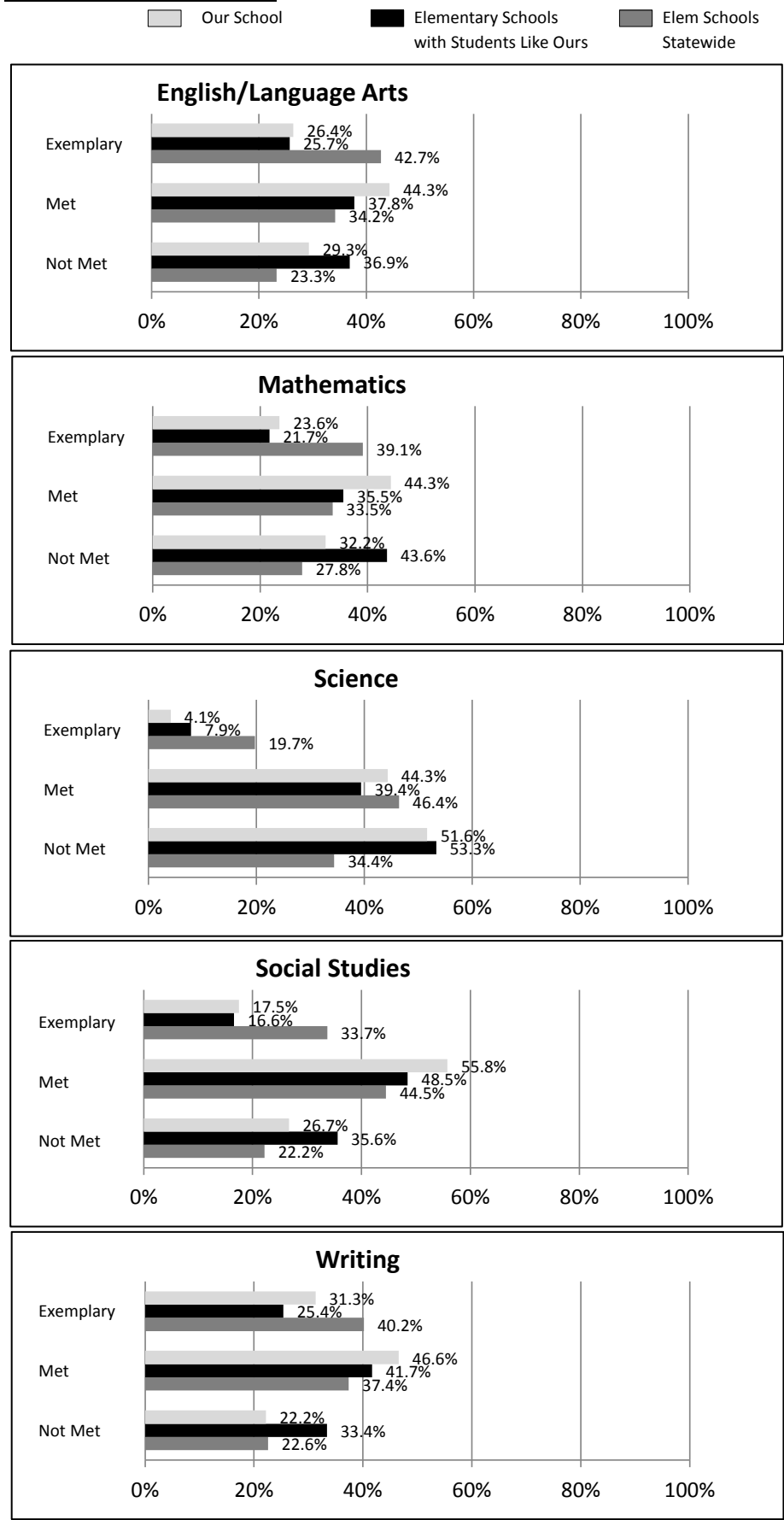
PERFORMANCE		Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on <a href="http://www.ed.sc.gov">www.ed.sc.gov</a> and <a href="http://www.eoc.sc.gov">www.eoc.sc.gov</a> as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.				
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	C	N/A
2013	Average	Good	SILVER	N/A	C	N/A
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	A	Reward

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	5	88	45	16

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## SC PASS PERFORMANCE



## NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

### Abbreviations Key

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
Students (n = 438)				
Retention rate	1.8%	Down from 6.0%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Down from 97.2%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	3.4%	Up from 3.2%	2.5%	7.3%
With disabilities	14.8%	Down from 17.3%	14.0%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	6.2%	Down from 8.5%	2.9%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 31)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.3%	No change	59.4%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	74.2%	No change	73.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.6%	Up from 84.5%	83.2%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 95.0%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,089	Up 0.3%	\$45,638	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	1.9 days	Down from 11.3 days	9.9 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	10.0	Up from 9.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.2 to 1	Up from 15.0 to 1	18.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Down from 91.2%	90.2%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,936	Up 4.4%	\$8,691	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.1%	Down from 69.0%	64.1%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.8%	Up from 65.0%	63.8%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	74.7	Down from 75.4	68.9	85.7

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.  
\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	14	55	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	98.2%	96.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	98.2%	93.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	96.3%	83.9%

\*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of St. Stephen Elementary School says that “We will engage and empower our students through the use of the seven habits to create an environment for all to grow and succeed” We are proud to have received an “A” on our latest school report card based upon student achievement in 2011–2012.We are the first school in Berkeley County to implement “The Leader in Me” model based on Stephen Covey’s “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People,” in which all staff have been trained. We offered “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families” training to parents and community members. We hosted our 2nd Leadership Day on April 18, 2013. Educators and business people from across the state and other states came to learn from us and from our children about our leadership model. Our vision clearly states, “Enter to Learn, Depart to Lead.” We believe that all students can learn and be a leader. Beginning with our 3-year-old preschool students, all SSE students can speak the language of the habits as evidenced by using them in their day-to-day activities at school and at home. You find SSE students taking on roles and responsibilities that you typically see classroom teachers do, such as musicians, art leaders, photographers, cafeteria assistants, safety patrols, ambassadors, guidance assistants, behavior monitors, technology leaders, restroom monitors, etc.

We believe in positive interactions with students, staff, parents and community members and have worked hard to create a climate that supports that belief. Students are recognized on a regular basis for positive choices, attendance, improved grades, outstanding grades and display of quality character through the 7 Habits. Though we are proud of the successes we have experienced this year, we look forward to greater accomplishments in years to come.

Our challenges include having 100% of our students scoring at or above benchmark in all subjects. We will address this by continuing to implement the Common Core State Standards, providing interventions to struggling students, continued implementation of an extended day program for first through fifth grades; differentiating instruction, using technology, and providing our staff with the training and materials they need to succeed.

It is our desire at SSE to inspire greatness in each student, one child at a time!

Dr. Elaine Norton, Principal

Mr. John Rivers, SIC Chairman

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